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Mayor Healy & POBA: Executive Board Votes to Bring Proposal to Avoid Layoffs to Full-Membership

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy and **Jersey City POBA President Jerry DeCicco** announced today that the executive board of the **Jersey City Police Officers Benevolent Association** voted to bring a proposal to the full membership that would avert the layoff of 82 police officers, which is scheduled to take place in less than one month on February 15, 2011.

The full membership is expected to vote on the proposal by early next week.

"We are pleased that unlike so many other cities around the state and across the country who during this New Great Depression are having to layoff police officers, Jersey City is working to chart a different course," said **Mayor Healy**. "If this agreement is approved by the full union membership, not a single officer will be laid off and our taxpayers will be able to count on the same level of extraordinary service while feeling some financial relief."

"Mayor Healy and the Jersey City POBA each want to save the jobs of these 82 police officers and keep the streets of Jersey City safe," said **Jerry DeCicco**, President of the Jersey City POBA. "We are working together to find a solution that will avert layoffs, protect Jersey City residents and businesses, and save money for the city's taxpayers. We have less than one month until these layoffs take effect on February 15, and hope to have a favorable outcome well before then."

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